



## **BEARFACTS 1997 – 2007**

### **Houston , Alabama [01069]**

Houston is one of 67 counties in Alabama. It is part of the [Dothan, AL \(MSA\)](#). Its 2007 population of 97,063 ranked 12th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Houston had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$33,462. This PCPI ranked 8th in the state and was 103 percent of the state average, \$32,419, and 87 percent of the national average, \$38,615. The 2007 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.2 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 5.0 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1997 the PCPI of Houston was \$21,197 and ranked 7th in the state. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Houston had a total personal income (TPI) of \$3,247,893\*. This TPI ranked 11th in the state and accounted for 2.2 percent of the state total. In 1997 the TPI of Houston was \$1,840,090\* and ranked 12th in the state. The 2007 TPI reflected an increase of 7.3 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 5.9 percent and the national change was 6.0 percent. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.1 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Houston. In 2007 net earnings accounted for 63.5 percent of TPI (compared with 66.2 in 1997); dividends, interest, and rent were 18.3 percent (compared with 18.7 in 1997); and personal current transfer receipts were 18.2 percent (compared with 15.1 in 1997). From 2006 to 2007 net earnings increased 4.9 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 15.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 8.3 percent. From 1997 to 2007 net earnings increased on average 5.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 7.8 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Houston increased from \$2,315,251\* in 2006 to \$2,394,949\* in 2007, an increase of 3.4 percent. The 2006-2007 state change was 3.8 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1997 estimate of \$1,522,486\* to the 2007 estimate was 4.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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